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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading McPartland James Eric Issuer Symbol TORCHMARK CORP [TMK] (Check all applicable) (First) (Last) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify **TORCHMARK** 02/28/2019 below) CORPORATION, 3700 SOUTH **EVP & Chief Information Officer** STONEBRIDGE DRIVE (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Filed(Month/Day/Year) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

MCKINNEY, TX 75070

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/28/2019		A	8,366	A	\$ 0	11,327	D	
Common Stock	02/28/2019		F	2,038	D	\$ 82.56	9,289	D	
Common Stock							0	I	N/A

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 82.56	02/28/2019		A	35,000	<u>(1)</u>	02/28/2026	Common Stock	35,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

McPartland James Eric

TORCHMARK CORPORATION 3700 SOUTH STONEBRIDGE DRIVE

MCKINNEY, TX 75070

EVP & Chief Information Officer

Signatures

James E. McPartland by Carol A. McCoy, Attorney-in-Fact

03/04/2019

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) First exercisable as to 50% of shares 2-28-21 and as to remaining 50% of shares 2-28-22.

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